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I will keep this simple.

I am a computer programmer. I program using languages Microsoft has developed, and have a thorough knowledge of Windows and how it works. I feel that I am qualified enough to comment on this situation:

- Microsoft has been found Guilty of monopolistic practices.
- it is quite apparent that in the current situation, over 90% of PC's are dependent on Microsoft's Windows software.
- I feel that the current settlement basically amounts to Microsoft taking voluntary actions to curb its on monopolistic practices.
- I feel that the correct remedy should be to nullify the situation.
- Microsoft's "Crown Jewels" has been the crux of this entire problem. The problem lies with Microsoft "Integrating" products into their "Crown Jewels" in order to circumvent competing products.
- it is impossible to recall subsequent releases of Windows since the "Internet Explorer" problem came to be.

So..

Level the playing field. Make the Windows Source Code public.

Make it so that anyone can do the same thing.

Respectfully,

- Kevin R. Gabbert

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A generation that hates war will not bring peace. A generation that loves peace \*will\* bring peace

-Seth

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